

ALLIED MILITARY MIGHT ANSWERS HITLER'S DEFIANCE BY FORCE 100-FOLD ON 9TH ANNIVERSARY; IS MARKED DRAMATICALLY BY U. S. 1ST ARMY OCCUPATION OF COLOGNE

But Few Fanatic Snipers
Driven from City of
Cologne

ALLIES ADVANCING

Eight-Long Assaults Loosed
On Enemy Troop
Concentrations

By International News Service

The ninth anniversary today of Hitler's defiance by force of the Versailles treaty was answered today 100-fold by Allied military might.

The anniversary was marked dramatically by the United States First Army occupation of the historic city of Cologne. It was into Cologne, on March 7, 1936, that Hitler sent forces of the German Army to force the city to break the pledge made at Versailles that the Rhine-Ruhr remain demilitarized.

Today all but the last of fanatic sniper units in the southwestern sector of Cologne were driven out by the Americans. Significantly, too, was the fact that the only Rhine crossing still in existence after Cologne's fall was the Hohenzollern bridge.

Throughout the night and in the day before dawn bombing squadrons from Britain supported the advances of Allied armies crushing the last breath from a dying Reich. Heavyweight Lancaster bombers of the R. A. F. and speedy British fighters.

Impressions of Aleutians
Given Before Rotarians

ANDALUSIA, Mar. 7.—Bensalem Rotarians had five guests at their weekly dinner last evening in King hall. The guests included Lt. Carl B. Wilkins, of Andalusia, who told of his experiences and impressions of the Aleutian Islands, Alaska. Mr. and Mrs. Otto Grupp, Edgington; Mrs. Phillip G. Mack, and Harold Fitch, Cornwells Heights.

Lt. Wilkins, in speaking of the Aleutians, said that contrary to what most people believe the weather on most of those islands is not more severe than in this time, but that high winds make it seem more intense. He informed there are few flowering plants and scarcely any woody variety such as shrubs and trees. The only native four-footed animal in the islands is the blue fox.

Theodore Staudenmayer, Jr., had charge of the music for the evening. Mrs. Otto Grupp sang "Sweet Bird of Spring" and "An Irish Lullaby"; James Carson, vocalist, offered "Oh What a Beautiful Mornin'" and "Prayer Perfect." The songs by Mrs. Mack were "Carissima" and "Sweet Dreams, Sweetheart." Then Harold Fitch, who had accompanied the vocalists, played as piano solo "Schubert's Piano Concerto" and "No. 4." Mr. Staudenmayer sang "Together" and "There Goes That Song Again." The two final numbers were duets by Mrs. Grupp and Mrs. Mack, "May Bells and the Flowers," and "Oh Wert Thou in the Cauld Blast."

A communication from a Rotarian at Bangor, Ireland, was read by A. Kurtz King.

Next week a Salvation Army commander and his assistant will speak and music will be included in the program.

LODGE TO MEET

The Lily Rebekah Lodge will hold its regular meeting tonight in Odd Fellows' Hall at eight o'clock. All members are requested to be present as it will be a special meeting.

LOCAL WEATHER OBSERVATIONS

AT ROHM & HAAS WEATHER OBSERVATORY,
BRISTOL, PA.

Temperature Readings
8 a. m. yesterday 49 F.
9 a. m. 48 F.
10 a. m. 46 F.
11 a. m. 44 F.
12 noon 42 F.
1 p. m. 40 F.
2 p. m. 38 F.
3 p. m. 36 F.
4 p. m. 34 F.
5 p. m. 32 F.
6 p. m. 30 F.
7 p. m. 28 F.
8 p. m. 26 F.
9 p. m. 24 F.
10 p. m. 22 F.
11 p. m. 20 F.
midnight 18 F.
1 a. m. today 16 F.
2 a. m. 14 F.
3 a. m. 12 F.
4 a. m. 10 F.
5 a. m. 8 F.
6 a. m. 6 F.
7 a. m. 4 F.
8 a. m. 2 F.

P. C. Relative Humidity 93
Precipitation (inches) .37

TIDES AT BRISTOL

High water 10:15 a. m.; 10:45 p. m.
Low water 4:55 a. m.; 5:25 p. m.

VANDENBERG'S OPPORTUNITY

Part One

In the peace conferences at San Francisco next month, one man can do more than any other to bring order and sense out of the confused and obscure agreements made by Roosevelt, Churchill and Stalin in the Crimean conference.

That man is Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg, Michigan Republican, who has accepted President Roosevelt's appointment as delegate after receiving assurances that the appointment "had no string to it."

Many factors combine to emphasize the importance of Senator Vandenberg in the conference.

Without meaning to slight either of the other two Republican delegates, the fact is that neither of them has the breadth of experience in international problems, nor do they have the widespread public backing of their views, which the Michigan Senator enjoys.

Foreign policy is much more the concern of the Senate than of the House of Representatives, and it therefore

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HERE AND THERE IN BUCKS COUNTY TOWNS

Activities of Interest To
All in the Various
Communities

GLEANEY BY SCRIBES

HULMEVILLE

Miss Marie Hanson has been spending several days in Philadelphia, visiting her mother, Mrs. Thomas Jones.

The Woman's Auxiliary conducted a covered dish luncheon in the parish house of Grace Episcopal Church today. The luncheon is a usual feature of each Wednesday during Lent. Services conducted in the church each Wednesday during Lent include: 10:45, Holy Communion; seven p. m., confirmation service; eight, evening prayer. Each Friday there is a story hour for all children interested at 3:30 o'clock, with Miss Gordon in charge.

Members of the club with which she is affiliated were entertained last evening by Miss Elma E. Haefner at the home of Mrs. Harold H. Haefner, Cornwells Heights.

Members of the William Penn Fire Co. and Ladies' Auxiliary who desire to attend the quarterly meeting at Buckingham on Saturday evening are asked to meet at the fire station at seven o'clock on Saturday evening.

CROYDON

Mrs. John Updyke of River Road had Mrs. Elsie White, of Tullytown, and Mr. and Mrs. N. DiNunzio of Palmerton, as guests on Thursday.

Mrs. John A. Bowen and daughter, Mrs. Nicholas VanSoest, are spending a month in Florida. They are staying with Mrs. A. Ruse, mother of Mrs. George Sotting, Croydon. While there they are visiting John F. Bowen, of the Navy, who is stationed at the Air Base in Ipa-Locka. Seaman Bowen is an aerial gunner on a four-motored bomber. After receiving his "wings" he will leave for San Francisco, Cal., for sea duty.

TULLYTOWN

Miss Frances Pezza, Trenton, N. J., Miss Margaret Pezza, Michael Pezza and Andrew Pezza were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Pezza, New York City.

Mrs. Mathias Tisher has been confined to her home by illness. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Horner, Croydon, were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Christopher Johnson.

Joseph Morgan, M. M. 3/c, New York, was a recent visitor of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Morgan, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cattani and son John were Sunday visitors of relatives in Trenton, N. J. William Lynch, Bethlehem, week-ended with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lynch.

Miss Rose Nardone, Miss Rita Nardone, and John Trallo, Philadelphia, were Sunday visitors of Mrs. Dominica Luzzi.

Spencer Lovett, S. 1/c, New London, Conn., and Mrs. Lovett, of Morrisville, were Sunday visitors of LeRoy Lovett.

ENGAGED TO WED

Mrs. John Russell Watson announces the engagement of her daughter, Miss Mary Elvora Watson, to Lt. Francis E. Courtney, Jr., U. S. A. F., son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis E. Courtney, of Germantown.

Cases Are Heard By County Court

DOYLESTOWN, Mar. 7.—Leroy Mettler, 44, of Sellersville, R. D. 1, pleaded guilty yesterday to charges of burglary, larceny and receiving stolen goods.

Trooper M. E. Yetter, of the State Police, testified that Mettler was questioned after his arrest concerning the theft of a 12-gauge shotgun from the bungalow of Doris Lavario in East Rockhill township. The gun has been recovered. The damage to the bungalow, Mrs. Lavario testified, was 16 cents for a pane of glass.

The defendant could offer no reason for stealing the gun. He told the court that his wife had left him and that he was out looking for her when he broke in Mrs. Lavario's house.

Judge Keller sentenced Mettler to pay the costs and serve 2 to 18 months in the County Prison.

Judge Keller made an order of \$8 a week on Harold Leedom, of Quakertown, toward the support of his wife, Mary Leedom, of Quakertown.

Mrs. Mary Tentilucci, of Bristol, was before the court asking for an order of support for herself and a young daughter, Mary Ellen. The husband is Albert Tentilucci, an employee of Fleetwing, Bristol.

Mrs. Tentilucci testified that her husband had been keeping company with another girl after they had separated.

Edward L. Pearson, 42, Negro, of Langhorne, pleaded guilty before Judge Hiram H. Keller to operating a motor vehicle after his license had been suspended or revoked. He was arrested on Jan. 21 by Trooper Carl Sawyer. The court directed that Pearson pay the costs and serve 30 days in the Bucks County Prison.

Party at Cornwells Hts. Enjoyed by S. S. Class

CORNWELLS HEIGHTS, Mar. 7.—A party was given on Friday evening in Cornwells Methodist Church by Mrs. Edwin Thomas for her Sunday School class. Mrs. P. Paul Freeman assisted. Songs were accompanied by Mrs. Thomas. Games were played and refreshments served. Prizes were awarded to Edwin and Leedom Thomas, and Christine Kelly.

Others attending: John Lockhard, Jane and Robert McIlhenny, Margaret and Rosemary Durr, Norman Vorty, Shirley Hughes, Howard Matlack, Walter and Ethel Winkelspecht, Neil Schelker, Evelyn Dapht, Norma Escher, Robert Reif, Marilyn Fillers, Russell Struble, Sally Ellis, Joan Sedgewick, and Matilda Thomas.

REMOVED TO HOSPITAL

Mrs. John Sullivan, Croydon, was removed to St. Luke's Hospital, Philadelphia, yesterday, for observation. She was taken to the hospital in Bucks County Rescue Squad ambulance.

TEEN-AGE CLUB HONORS Two Members at Party

The "Teen-Age Club" gave two of its members, Helen Scott and Diana Versprille, a party Saturday evening at the home of Helen Scott, Barry Place, in honor of their 13th birthday anniversaries.

Helen and Diana received many gifts. Games and dancing were indulged in, and refreshments were served to: Catherine McInerney, Dolores Rush, Josephine Tosti, Joan Whyne, "Betty" Lynn, Helen Bono, Loretta Ennis, Clara Boner, "Margie" Wolvin, Lavern Wren, Michael Downs, George Hoffman, Patrick Martin, John Gosline, "Bobby" Lewis, "Bobby" Gilles, "Teddy" Shront, Raymond Gallagher, George Rittler, Reginald Samoyer, James Cofferman.

JOSEPH BRENNER DIES

Joseph Brenner died suddenly at his home on Green Lane Road yesterday. He had been ill but a short time. Bucks County Coroner J. Alfred Rigby, Cornwells Heights, issued a certificate of death.

"SEABEE" RETURNS TO U. S.; AWAY TWO YEARS

Chas. M. Bennett Helped To Develop Bases in The New Hebrides, Admiralties

SERVICEMEN'S NEWS

Charles M. Bennett, WT 1/c, USNR, of Lafayette street, has returned to the United States with the 4th Naval Construction Battalion after 24 months of duty in the South Pacific.

The battalion developed bases and facilities in the New Hebrides and Admiralty Islands under difficult conditions, particularly in the early days of the war. Prior to enlistment in the U. S. Navy, he was a member of the U. S. Army.

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UP-TO-PRESS-TIME WAR BULLETINS

(By International News Service)

CONVERGING ASSAULT OPENED ON DANZIG

Moscow—Marshal Konstantin Rokossovsky's Second White Russian Army opened a general converging assault today on Danzig in what appeared to be the final drive for the once-free Baltic port. Front dispatches said, while the Germans reported that other Soviet forces had crossed the lower Oder river for the march on Berlin.

The Oder crossing, according to the Germans, was carried out by units of the First White Russian Army. Marshal Gregory K. Zhukov's forces smashed out bridgeheads over the Oder at Schwedt, 45 miles northeast of Berlin and 28 miles southwest of the threatened port of Stettin, the Germans said.

ALLIES LAUNCH SURPRISE PUSH NEAR BOLOGNA

Rome—Hard-hitting American and Brazilian troops of the U. S. Fifth Army in Italy seized positions today five miles in advance of jump-off points from which a surprise new offensive was launched south of Bologna. The Allied forces gained control of eight key positions. The drive, launched March 3 but unrevealed for security reasons, netted at least 1,200 German prisoners.

In the first few hours the Americans had seized Monte Terminale and Iola. Tank forces mopped up pockets of enemy resistance which were bypassed by the racing infantrymen. The Americans, supported by Brazilian troops, advanced more than five miles in the rugged region west of the Bologna-Pistoia highway.

Other key points taken by the Americans during the assault included Monte Della Croce, Monte Della Castellana, Monte Dellese, Monte Grande Daiano and the town of Castel Daiano.

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, American fighting men the world over are giving to the last ounce of their strength in the effort to free the world of dictatorships, and

WHEREAS, the American home front is striving through its war industries, its manpower and its moral support to stand firmly behind the armed forces, and

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross is serving our fighting men at home and overseas, as well, by means of understanding, friendly men and women trained especially for their duties, and

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross assists service-men's families in the United States as well as serving those in uniform, and

WHEREAS, the American people through the Red Cross have sent 10,000,000 pints of blood to our wounded, thus forming a veritable life-line between us and them, and

WHEREAS, the American Red Cross is ready to give assistance in the event of any natural or man-made disaster on the home front.

THEREFORE I, Jacob C. Schmidt, Burgess of the Borough of Bristol, in accordance with the proclamation of the President of the United States, naming March as American Red Cross Month, do here and now urge all citizens of this community to contribute without reservation to the 1945 Red Cross War Fund through the local chapter; I further urge that they remember that the war is not yet won, and that when the peace comes the Red Cross must still, through its War Fund, maintain itself to work for the better interests of the American people in the post-war world.

JACOB C. SCHMIDT,
Burgess

Bristol, Pa., Feb. 28, 1945

URGE RESIDENTS TO LOYALLY SUPPORT RED CROSS FUND

Chairman of the Campaign
Appeals for Generous
Contributions

CONTRADICT REPORTS

Physicians Tell of Great
Work Done By Red Cross
Blood Plasma, Etc.

On the eve of the opening of the Red Cross War Fund Campaign in Bristol, two significant statements were issued late this morning. One was by Hugh B. Eastburn, Esq., who is chairman of the campaign, while the other one was by a group of thirteen physicians, all residents, and practicing in the Bristol area. Mr. Eastburn's statement ad-

WORKERS FOR RED CROSS TO START 3- DAY SOLICITATION

Chairmen, Captains and
Solicitors To Be Out In
Force This Week

AN INTENSIVE DRIVE

Shares May Be Made Out In
Name Of Any Individual Desired

Tomorrow, Red Cross workers in the Bristol area, including Bristol borough, Bristol township, and Fullington borough, will start a three-day campaign in the residential districts to sell a \$5 share in the Red Cross War Fund to every man, woman and child. The campaign is to be intensive. (Continued on Page Four)

Pvt. John Zickel Now Hospitalized in U. S.

CORNWELLS HEIGHTS, Mar. 7.—Pvt. John Zickel has returned to the United States and is now stationed at Valley Forge General Hospital, Phoenixville. The young man, who sustained wounds of both legs in the battle of Metz on Nov. 17th, had gone overseas in September.

Upon his arrival in this country, Pvt. Zickel telephoned his sister, Mrs. Joseph Tracy, Philadelphia, and learned of the death of his father, Henry L. Zickel, who had been buried two days previously. The soldier was given permission to visit his sister for two days. On Friday, he visited Schutte & Koertling Co., where he was employed before entering the service. He will receive further treatment at the hospital.

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LATEST NEWS BULLETINS

10 U. S. Airmen Die in Bomber Crash

London—The wreckage of a B-17 fortress bomber and 10 dead bodies of American airmen were found today on the slopes of a mountain on the Isle of Arran, opposite Prestwick Airport in Scotland. Reuter's reported.

Propose Appropriation for Maritime Academy

Harrisburg—A bill proposing the appropriation of \$349,000 for construction and repairs at the Pennsylvania Maritime Academy, near Morrisville, was being considered today by the Senate Forestry and Waters committee. Under the bill, the governor and the commission for the Delaware River would approve the proposed work. The measure was sponsored by Sen. Howard I. James (R), Bucks.

William H. Davis Named to Post

Washington—President Roosevelt today selected William H. Davis, chairman of the War Labor Board, to be director of the Office of Economic Stabilization in charge of the nation's anti-inflation program. Davis will succeed Fred M. Vinson who was appointed Federal Loan Administrator by the President several days ago.

To Close School if Grant is Not Made

Warminster Township—The School Board of Warminster Township, Bucks County, today notified Washington that the Lacey Park School will be closed April 6 unless it receives a \$5,873 grant from the Federal Works Agency. The school, according to board secretary A. Leighton Fisher, operated at a deficit of \$10,345 during the current year.

'Twin-Up' Girls



FIRST "TWIN-UP" GIRLS to appear in a major movie production are Patty and Barbara McLean of Hollywood, Calif. The twins skate, dance, sing and—as you see—are easy on the eyes. (International)

Coal Gas Fumes Cause Death of Perkaskie Man

PERKASKIE, Mar. 7.—(INS)—Coal gas fumes which overcame his wife and daughter-in-law today had caused the death of Lewis A. Pritchard, 76-year-old former president of Perkaskie council and retired coal dealer.

His daughter-in-law, Mrs. Burton Pritchard, smelled the deadly gas and after opening the windows, called two physicians. Artificial respiration failed to revive Pritchard, who had been suffering from a heart ailment for some time, police said.

Surprise Irene Burke At Party Marking Birthday

A surprise birthday party was given in honor of Miss Irene Burke, Corson street, Friday evening. After games, refreshments were served to: the Misses Lois Hilbert, Dolores King, Freda Hamm, Mary Yeagle, "Betty" Lebo, Rose Marie Welsh, Gloria White, Gerald Vorty, Joseph Paoletti, Michael Mandio, Robert Clickenger, Dominic Petina, Bristol; Margaret Long and Marie Williamson, Croydon; Walter Rittler and William Nysse, Edgely.

Number of Houses Sold On 2nd and 3rd Avenues

A number of houses on Second and Third avenues have been sold through the medium of Penn Realty Co. The list of transaction includes:

813 Second Ave., James Ecken; 815 Second Ave., Viola L. Boaz; 829 Second Ave., Nora McLaughlin; 832 Second Ave., Harry Vandergift; 835 Second Ave., Geo. A. Clickenger; 839 Second Ave., George Perkins; 841 Second Ave., Thomas DiGrillimo; 896 Third Ave., Sol M. Hein; 810 Third Ave., Claude W. Jearn; 812 Third Ave., John Percepone; 816 Third Ave., Harold A. Rittler; 818 Third Ave., Leon Foran; 820 Third Ave., Elwood H. H. E. Gunther.

TWO BRISTOL MEN LISTED AS CASUALTIES

Staff Sgt. James B. Boyle Is Reported Missing In Action

COSTANTINI WOUNDED

Two young Bristol men are listed among the current casualties. One is missing in action, and the other is wounded.

The young man who is missing in action over Austria as of February 1st is Staff Sgt. James B. Boyle, 19, of 929 Garden street. The son of Mr. and Mrs. John Boyle, he is a waist gunner on a B-17 bomber, being with the 15th Army Air Force.

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CORNWELLS MAN OUT FROM IWO JIMA AFTER 50 HOURS

1st Lieut. Edward C. Nelson
Tells of Heroic Self-Sacrifice of Infantrymen

LEADER OF TANK UNIT

Marine Riflemen Used Hand
Signals When Communications
Were Shot Away

By Sgt. Henry A. Weaver, III
525 N. Formosa Ave., Hollywood,
Calif., a Marine Corps Combat
Correspondent

IWO JIMA.—(Delayed)—Coming out from the lines for a brief rest, his first in more than 50 hours of constant fighting, Marine First Lieutenant Edward C. Nelson, 36, son of Mrs. Bertha J. Nelson, of Cornwells Heights, Pa., commanding a tank unit of the Fifth Marine Division told of the heroic self-sacrifice of infantrymen in guiding the tanks.

Lieutenant Nelson revealed that when the tanks to troops communications were shot away, Marine riflemen stepped out in front of the tanks and with hand signals, weapons, and by throwing their body in various directions in front of the tanks led them to covered Jap emplacements.

In the thick of the fighting at the base of Suribachi Yama, these riflemen did everything but actually have the muzzles of the tank guns into the caves and pillboxes, according to Lieutenant Nelson.

"Being fired on from all sides, and with enemy emplacements so well concealed, and our communications shot away, we had a hard time finding the spots," said Nelson. "These kids in the lines didn't hesitate for a minute. Working in complete co-operation, they walked along in front of our tanks leading us to the targets. A lot of the riflemen were killed and wounded while helping us, but each time one fell another came out of the lines and took his place as spotter. They had no protection but never hesitated. I'll never forget them," Nelson concluded.

Nelson's wife lives at 1615 Lincoln avenue, San Diego.

Home Art Club Members Guests of Bristolian

The Home Art Club was entertained Sunday evening by Miss Jennie Paoletti, the occasion also celebrating her birthday anniversary. Card prize was won by Mrs. Joseph Giampietra. Refreshments were served and the dining room was decorated in red, white and blue.

The following were present: Mrs. Joseph Giampietra, Mrs. Nicholas DiBlassa, Mrs. Daniel Greco, Mrs. Rocco Manzo, Mrs. Nicholas Paoletti, Bristol; Mrs. Edward Paoletti, Tullytown; Mrs. Cosley Pone, Trenton, N. J.

Miss Paoletti was the recipient of many gifts.

WHAT OUR BOYS ARE DOING TO WIN THE WAR

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WILL YOU DO YOUR FULL SHARE?

The American people long ago became convinced of the indispensability of the Red Cross. Throughout the years it has maintained a record for service so effective and so unselfish as to transcend any thought of criticism. Praise and gratitude have been its constant reward.

Never before has the Red Cross faced a more gigantic task. Its activities cover almost every spot in a war-torn world. American fighting men are on more than fifty fronts. American wounded fill scores of hospitals. Families of men in service need help and care. It is impossible to point to a sector on the globe which does not make a demand on the Red Cross. Thousands of workers are engaged in the administration of mercy.

There must be no lack of funds to carry on this great work. Money, millions of dollars of it, is needed as never before. This community owes a sacred duty to those who are giving more than dollars to over-subscribe its quota.

When a Red Cross War Fund solicitor visits you during the next few days, decide what is your share in this great humanitarian work. Make your contribution just as large as possible. Remember those who are making sacrifices beyond the value of any amount of money, so that those who are at home may continue to enjoy the American way of life.

The quota for the Bristol area is \$56,600 and let us all make the campaign a success.

STILL DEVELOPING

At the rate the Allied armies are advancing, it will soon be revealed whether the Germans intend to make a stand on the Rhine or whether they will repeat their marathon through France and streak for northern Germany. When the answer to that question is in, it should not be hard to judge how much longer the war in Europe will last.

General Eisenhower made no bones about the fact that he would prefer to meet the main German armies on the Cologne plain. If the Germans merely fight a stubborn delaying action on the Rhine, there may be another long pause while the Allies mass strength to vault that formidable river barrier.

The low caliber of many captured Nazi troops and the steady disintegration of German defenses before the Allied advance are accepted as proof that many crack German units have already been withdrawn across the Rhine. The Germans have not as yet thrown all their available reserves into the struggle unless they are far weaker than anyone has guessed.

But if the Germans try to make a stand on the Rhine, General Eisenhower still has several aces to play. The battle is still developing and will continue to grow until the end.

Fourflushers, who formerly showed off by lighting a cigar with a \$10 bill, can now dispense with the bill.

Urge Residents to Support Red Cross War Fund

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precious lives. The many other services of Red Cross help and comfort our fighting men and their families—strengthen morale which is necessary for final victory.

"As this campaign starts, the same old, vicious and untrue stories are being peddled—that the Red Cross sells cigarettes, sweaters and blood plasma—that the solicitors are paid—that high executives receive enormous salaries. These stories are not only untrue but they are an attempt to sabotage the greatest civilian organization supporting our fighting men on all fronts. Hitler and Tojo must know they are great stuff so I urge anyone who hears them to report the facts to Red Cross Headquarters. If they are serious enough, they will then be turned over to the F. B. I., which is ready to run them down.

"Of course there are cases where Red Cross supplies are stolen and sold. Also, there is nothing to stop a service man from selling his Red Cross gifts and they have been known to do so. As to the charge that solicitors are paid or receive a commission, I can brand that one as a contemptible lie. Mr. William C. Hummelen, Jr., Chairman of the Southeastern Pennsylvania Chap-

ter, is a wealthy and successful business man and receives nothing for his valuable services. Unfortunately there are some people who cannot understand how other people can labor in a good cause for no other compensation than satisfaction for a job well done. Thank God, there are few in the former and many in the latter class.

"The quota for Bristol, Bristol Township and Tullytown for 1945 is \$56,600.00 and must be raised by more general and more liberal giving.

"Hundreds of volunteer workers are enlisted in the campaign, which begins here on March 8th. They are helping fight this war on the home front. May they be welcomed wherever they call."

The value of blood plasma and whole blood transfusions to the men wounded in battle is attested to today by physicians in the Bristol area. These well known medical men today issued a signed statement in which they said:

"Battle wounds resulting in shock and great loss of blood often prove fatal if plasma and whole blood transfusions are not made promptly.

"The American Red Cross is the only agency which gathers blood for our wounded fighters. Five million pints were procured in 1944.

"If the Red Cross rendered no other service, it should have the

support of everyone on the home front. It has our enthusiastic endorsement."

Signatures attached were as follows: Dr. J. deB. Abbott, Dr. George T. Fox, Dr. A. Gonzalez, Dr. George H. Lanyon, Dr. William C. LeCompte, Dr. Frank Lehman, Dr. Mary E. Lehman, Dr. R. C. Magill, Dr. E. G. McGruder, Dr. Julius Sobel, Dr. Philip Tulin, Dr. J. Fred Wagner, Dr. H. Doyle Webb.

Cornwells Heights

Congratulations are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Carter on the birth of a daughter on Feb. 28th at their home on Knights Road, Edgington. The infant has been named Judith.

Mrs. Carl Schreiber visited her husband recently at Ft. Meade, Md. Pvt. Schreiber has left for an undisclosed destination.

"Sally" VanSant is ill at her home.

Mrs. Adolph Reif and son Robert visited relatives at Wildwood, N. J. over the week-end.

Miss Gerardine Loitz visited friends in Trevese over the week-end.

Mrs. George Vandegrift is spending several days in Georgia, visiting her son, Cpl. J. Raymond Vandegrift, who is stationed at Camp Gordon.

Classified Ads are wonder-workers!

WOLF IN MAN'S CLOTHING by MIGNON G. EBERHART

CHAPTER THIRTY-FIVE

Craig was still reluctant to share his plan with me. "If I could only do it myself. I tried to get up just now, while you were out of the room. It was no good."

"Don't be a fool," I said hotly. "Do you want to work up a fancy temperature?"

Suddenly he said, "It's a hypodermic, Miss Keate, Drue's hypodermic syringe."

"Oh," I responded weakly. "You see, Alexia's got it. You must search her room for it. She is sure it belongs to Drue. She found it somewhere . . ."

"Never mind—I know . . ."

"You know . . ."

"I put it there. In the fern."

He started upright, clasped his free hand quickly over his wounded shoulder and cried, "You! Why?"

"Never mind that either; I thought I was doing the right thing."

Craig lay there staring at me. Then he asked, "Why did you hide it? Did Drue really give my father the hypodermic?"

"Yes, she did, but she didn't kill him with it. I'll tell you anything I know later. Right now I think everybody but Maud is downstairs. If I'm to search Alexia's room I'd better do it quickly."

He agreed with me at once. "You'll have to hurry. Look in her dressing room, and in the cupboard in her bathroom. Then also, there is a kind of cupboard built into the wall beside her bed. You'll see. She says she puts jewelry in there when she doesn't want to bother with the safe."

I was on my feet. "When did Alexia tell you about that hypodermic?"

A subtle change came over his face; his mouth tightened a little, his lean jaw hardened; his eyes went past me and looked very remote and uncommunicative. "Not very long ago," he said. "She wouldn't tell me where she kept it. You'd better go. It's the second door to the left across the hall. I hate to ask you to do this . . ."

I went at once to Alexia's room. The trooper was the only person in the long, wide corridor and he was away down near Drue's room with his back turned toward me.

I found I didn't find the hypodermic. I found Alexia's room with no trouble and I searched it; then went directly to the little bookshelf and the cupboard. And found not the syringe but—three checks made out to Frederic Miller.

They were for five thousand dollars each, signed by Conrad Brent, dated in July, September and October of 1938. They were canceled and endorsed "Frederic Miller" in an ornate and curly handwriting, and pinned together with a little steel pin. They were lying flat, under a soft suede case, the kind you use for jewelry when traveling.

I took the checks, adding them to my already substantial little hoard of clues. I'd tell Nugent. But I'd tell Craig first.

When I heard voices somewhere in the distance I thought I'd better give up. I ducked out of Alexia's

and into my patient's room as Alexia emerged at the head of the stairs, followed by Peter Huber.

Craig was watching for me eagerly but still looked a little startled at my possibly precipitous entrance. "Somebody chasing you?" he said.

I straightened my cap and caught my breath. He got up on his elbow. "Did you find it?"

"No," I hated the disappointment in his eyes.

He lay back against the pillows. "Oh, All right, Miss Keate. You did your best. She's given it to the police, then. She said she would. She hates Drue. It's because of . . ."

"He stopped there, abruptly. And I added crisply, "Because of you, I suppose. She makes it clear enough."

There was a sad, altogether grave, look in his face.

"I hurt Alexia's pride one time. I didn't realize I was doing it; I was in love with Drue, you see. I was so in love that"—he paused and then said, simply—"so in love that there wasn't any other woman in the world. There wasn't anything but Drue. He stopped again and then went on, "Alexia just didn't exist for me. Nothing did really."

There was another silence; I was wishing Drue could hear him and resolving to tell her. Then he moved restively and said in a different tone, "I tried to humor Alexia. My father loved her—he did, you know. She married him and he loved her."

"Don't get excited," I warned, rearranging the covers he had twisted around. "You'll get a fever . . ."

He glared at me and I glared back at him. And then as we were staring at each other like two enraged cats looking for an opening, he grinned. "I'm sorry, Miss Keate. It's only that it makes me savage, being helpless like this."

"You're lucky you're not dead," I remarked.

The shadow came back into his face. "Yes, but it's Drue that's in danger. If she gave him digitalis . . ."

"She tried to save his life. She didn't give him enough to kill him. Unfortunately, though," I added grimly, "there's no way to prove that. Are you sure Alexia gave the syringe to the police? Perhaps it was only a threat."

"I think she meant it. She knows I still love Drue. I tried not to let her see. I was afraid of what she would do to Drue. Sounds queer to say you're afraid of anybody. But Alexia's not like other people."

He paused and then thoughtfully, quickly, as if he were explaining something to himself as well as to me, talked of Alexia. "We've known each other since we were children. You know: Nicky and Alexia and I. They used to come here for summers when their mother was alive; then she married again and went abroad to live. Nicky and Alexia were pushed around anyhow, schools in France and Italy, camps in Switzerland, hotels everywhere. After their mother died they were shipped back here. They hadn't

really much of a chance and never enough money. My father always liked Alexia."

"Your father was in love with her."

"Yes, later. Perhaps all along without realizing it. At any rate Alexia married him. She's ruthless in a way."

"She could murder anybody."

He looked up at me quickly. "Did you say that?"

"Not unless she was so angry that she didn't stop to think. But that's why I'm afraid of what she might do to Drue."

There was a sincerity in his voice and I did decide (provisionally) that Craig Brent had not murdered his father. And I must talk to Drue and among other things tell her that. Perhaps, then, she would explain about the medicine-box—that is, if her determined silence regarding it really was (as I thought it was) to protect Craig.

I was thinking that when he said abruptly, "That shooting in the meadow night before last; you remember?"

"Nugent thinks I forgot?"

"Just an idle impulse, no doubt."

I remarked bitterly, "I'm sure two bullets whizzed over my head. Of course, he may have been aiming at Anna. Or he may have been just a little prankster, bent on having his fun and giving us both a scare."

I said it sarcastically, but he looked perfectly sober.

"Perhaps," he said and added, "I suppose there'll be traces of digitalis in the little—what do you call it, barrel?—of the hypodermic?"

"Yes. Unless it's been cleaned. Did Alexia see me put it there?"

"She didn't say."

I thought back rapidly to the hurried moments following Conrad's death: "Alexia was walking up and down the library, just behind the big desk. She must have seen me put it under the fern. Bevens was coming down the stairs just ahead of me. When I turned I saw no one. But—yes, the stair landing is visible from the library; she must have moved out of sight just as I turned. Then I suppose Alexia took it—later, on her way upstairs, immediately after she left the library."

"Miss Keate, who telephoned for the police?" It was of course a significant question and had been from the first. But it was still without an answer.

"I don't know."

"If we could find out who did that and why. If I could do anything—anything . . ."

I looked at him, decided to chance it, took a long breath and said, "Look here, you still love your wife."

"She's not my wife. You forgot that."

"Fiddlesticks! There's no law against remarriage. If Nicky . . ."

"What about Nicky?"

"I'd hate to see her marry him. You'd hate . . ." he stopped. "Listen, Miss Keate, there's something you don't know: That's why she left me. Because of Nicky."

(To be continued)

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VANDENBERG'S OPPORTUNITY

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can hardly be expected that Representative Charles A. Eaton of New Jersey can pass the same critical judgment on the details of the proposed international organization as Senator Vandenberg.

As for Lieutenant Commander Harold E. Stassen, experience as Governor of Minnesota is hardly the training to make him expert in the field of foreign diplomacy. Moreover, Mr. Stassen has two additional handicaps: First, since he is serving in the Navy under Commander-in-Chief Roosevelt, he cannot fail to be embarrassed in finding fault with the plans of the President.

Second, whatever may be in Mr. Stassen's own mind, to a great number of American citizens he is a man who wants to become President, and therefore any recommendations he may make will be viewed with just a bit of suspicion in the light of their political effect upon his own career.

In this connection it may not be improper to observe that Mr. Stassen does not stand, as Senator Vandenberg does, about the center of Republican opinion, but that he is near the extreme of the so-called "international" group.

There are undoubtedly many Republicans and independents who harbor some resentment against Mr. Stassen for his part in the ill-fated Willkie stampede of 1940. This considerable group of voters may also have the feeling that the cause of the Republican Party has been damaged, rather than helped, by the tendency of the group in which Mr. Stassen is active to endorse parts of the New Deal which run counter to the historic principles of the Party—such matters as deficit financing, Social Security financed by borrowing against future generations, bureaucratic administration of private affairs, etc.

This widespread uneasiness over the exact political position of Mr. Stassen may be brought out best, perhaps, by remembering that his friend Senator Ball saw fit to bolt the Republican Party and come out on behalf of President Roosevelt in last year's campaign—as a result of a private conversation with Harry Hopkins and on the not-too-well supported contention that Roosevelt had a superior foreign policy.

These matters are mentioned, not as criticism of Mr. Stassen, but to make clear the handicaps under which he would labor in attempting to mold public sentiment at the San Francisco conference.

As for the Democratic delegates, there is nothing thus far to indicate any independence of mind in their thinking about foreign problems.

In the absence of an able and fearless spokesman calling for correction of known weaknesses while the international organization is in the formative state, it would be only human nature for these Democratic members of the conference to accept the whole matter as a party issue, and to follow the very clearly expressed wishes of their leader, President Roosevelt.

Senator Vandenberg labors under no such political handicaps.

While he is expected to seek re-election next year for his Senate post, he obviously has more to gain by sound and constructive criticism of the President's proposals than by any other course.

Moreover, he possesses and has demonstrated a clarity of vision in the problem of arriving at what Woodrow Wilson expressed as "a just and lasting peace."

His suggestion a few weeks ago, that there be an immediate and binding agreement between England, Russia and America for the post-war control of Germany and Japan, was the most constructive suggestion yet made.

It's effect would have been to speed the end of the war and to separate the war itself from the peace discussions. Much of the embarrassment of the present discussions rises from the fact that the war problems and the post-war problems, not really related, have been allowed to become tangled.

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The new members are Mrs. John Herring and Miss Elizabeth Hill, and the members who resigned are Mrs. Clinton Obinger and Mrs. Walter Livezey. The meeting, which was featured by a brief business session, was in the presence of the president, Mrs. Harry Backman.

Resolutions were made to the Marine G. Ryan scholarship of the Bucks County Federation of Women's Clubs and Bow-Hill State Wild Flower Presentation.

Noble F. Beacham gave her resolutions of nature and her wishes to them. She gave words of the first robin, her and her sheep. In addition, Beacham emphasized the value of the play in the life of the individual and the full development of individuality.

The talk was interspersed by the singing of a number of original songs.

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Ida Staveland moved from Wyra, N. J., to Bristol and has an apartment on Mill street.

Mrs. Mary Brown, Garfield, who is a nurse at Friends Hospital, Philadelphia, has enlisted in the Army Nurses Corps and is to take up her new duties on March 15th.

Howard Smoyer, Bristol, who has been overseas since last spring, has returned to the United States. He was in England for a few days and then, his wife and mother, H. Smoyer, visited him. He has been transferred to Camp Carroll.

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Miss Marlene Keller, Market street, is convalescing from an attack of tonsillitis.

Charles Friday has been ill at his home for the past week with an attack of grippe.

Mrs. Helen Ziakert and daughter, Philadelphia, were week-end guests of Mrs. Frederick C. Lindberg, Market street.

Frank Hedge, S. 1/2, and Allen Hibbs, S. 1/2, Staten Island, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bunting, Wood street.

Mrs. Rose Pagione, Jefferson avenue, is a patient in the Doctors' Hospital, Philadelphia, under observation.

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Mrs. Allen Lobo, St. Trenton street, spent Saturday and Sunday visiting relatives in Pottsville, Pa. Lt. (j.g.) Carmen Mignone and wife, Dorrance street, spent four days last week in New York City. Lt. Mignone returned to California

Tuesday by airplane. A group of relatives and friends gathered at the Mignone home on Dorrance street, Saturday evening, in honor of the 27th birthday of Lt. Mignone. A buffet supper was served and singing and dancing were enjoyed to the strains of accordion music.

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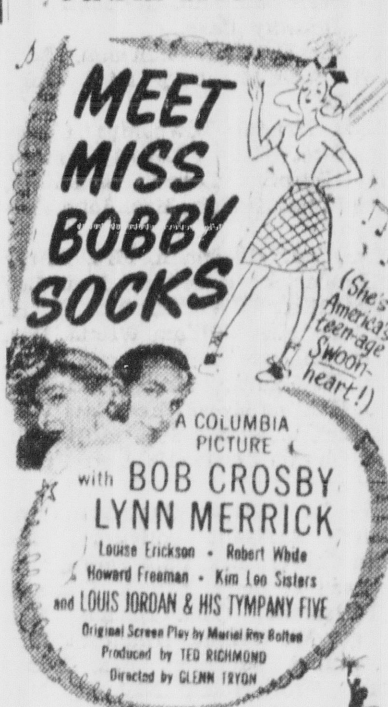
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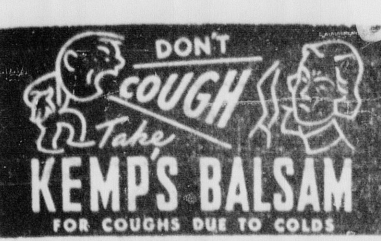
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Workers for Red Cross To Start Solicitation

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and the cooperation of the residents is solicited. A request is made that all be prepared to sign up upon the first visit of the solicitor so that it will not be necessary for the visitor to call back.

Those desiring to purchase more than one share may do so and the shares may be made out in the name of any individual the purchaser desires. Many have signified their intentions of purchasing shares in memory of deceased individuals and others are going to have the shares made in the name of a member of their family who is in some branch of the armed services.

The campaign here is for \$56,600 and the organization perfected here to put the drive over is headed by Hugh B. Eastburn, Esq., with A. Russell Burton as chairman of the residential solicitors in Bristol.

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John H. Wichser is in charge of organizations.

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SECOND HALF OF JR. HIGH LEAGUE GETS UNDER WAY

Snipers Defeat Cavalry Five By the Score of 14 to 11

COCHRAN BRILLIANT

Commandoes Win Easily Over Navy by Score of 14 to 11

The second half of the Bristol High School Junior League opened with the Snipers beating Cavalry, 14-13. Bill Cochran of the winners accounted for eight points. The Commandoes won over the Navy, 14-11. Kenny Martin practically won this game single-handedly as he scored 10 of the Commandoes' points.

The first half champions, the Air Corps, easily won over the Marines, 23-14 with "Jimmy" Sottile again leading his team to the triumph with 12 points. The afternoon closed with the Sea-Bees conquering the Coast Guards, 20-13. Emil Praksta had eight points for the winners.

Two Bristol Men Listed As Casualties

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Staff Sgt. Boyle has been in the service since April of 1943, and went overseas last August. His training was received at Greensboro, N. C.; Fort Myers, Fla.; and at bases in Denver, Col. and Tampa, Fla.

The young man played baseball with the Hunter Manufacturing Corp. team in Bristol Suburban League.

Wounded slightly in action in the European theatre of war, Sgt. Joseph Constantini, 27, of 1024 Wood street, is now hospitalized in Belgium.

Beaver Dam Road: Chairman, Miss Dorothy Case.

Small Farms: Chairman, Mrs. Emil Schmitt; captain, John Schmitt.

East Bristol Township: Chairman, Mrs. William Lovett; captain, Miss Dorothy Lovett; solicitors, Mrs. James Harris, Mrs. John Collins.

Croydon: Chairman, Mrs. Harry G. Frederick; solicitors, Mrs. Leo Riley, Mrs. R. Winton, Mrs. M. H. Hopkins, Mrs. William Wilkie, Mrs. G. Rittenhouse, Mrs. George Shaw, Mrs. N. Launer, Mrs. J. Shraum, Mrs. Phillips Myers, Mrs. Earl Weller, Mrs. M. Smith, Mrs. M. B. Hill, Mrs. George Cornwells, Mrs. Frank Snyder.

Winder Village: Chairman, Mrs. Walter Arrison; solicitors, Mrs. John Carver, Mrs. Dale Smith, Mrs. Howard L. Zepp, Mrs. R. Gentsch.

Tullytown: Chairman, Mrs. George W. Wright; solicitors, Mrs. Ferdinand Bachofer, Mrs. Henry Clay, Mrs. Helen Nichols, Mrs. Clifford White, Mrs. Rufus King, Miss Lucy Silvi.

Middle District, East Bristol Township: Chairman, Mrs. Samuel W. Roberts; captain, Miss Jean Roberts; solicitors, Miss Mabel Heath, Mrs. Emma Fischer.

Laureth Manor, North Radcliffe street, and Green Lane defense homes: Chairman, Mrs. George Wetherill; solicitors, Mrs. Donald Moyer, Mrs. Freeman Wetherill, Mrs. Edward Priestley, Mrs. Edward Wafsh, Mrs. Albert Schorsch, Mrs. Maximilian Lawrence, Mrs. George Ashworth, Mrs. J. R. Pearson, Mrs. Harold Crooker.

Allied Military Might Answers Hitler 100-Fold

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Mosquitos carrying two-ton missiles loosed night-long assaults on enemy troops concentrations, armored forces and transport units in the region of Wesel, on the east bank of the Rhine in front of the Canadian First Army advance.

Soviet forces hammering in from the east against the city of Stettin, port of Berlin, and the Reich capital itself, were aided by other Lancaster formations which ranged over the Baltic Sea to batter Sassnitz, 85 miles northwest of Stettin, on the island of Ruegen.

More bombers, undoubtedly American formations, were reported by the Germans to be over the areas of Rheine, Osnabrueck and Munster in daylight, in the 23rd day of non-stop of air raids.

With the American First Army established inside conquered Cologne and all of the west bank of the Rhine to the north under Allied control, Lieut. Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army hurried eastward toward the Rhine and the German city of Coblenz.

The Third Army smashed across the Moselle River plain to within 20 miles of Coblenz after a spectacular advance of 25 miles.

First Army units north of Cologne cleared the German pocket between Cologne and Neuss, suburb of Duesseldorf, Southwest of Cologne the first battle to within 3 miles of the university city of Bonn.

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first class. It was announced today by the post public relations office.

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, Italy—PFC Vincent J. D'Avessa, of Yardley Pa., has been awarded the Vehicle Driver's Badge in Italy. He is a member of the 88th "Blue Devil" Infantry Division now fighting with the Fifth Army in the Apennine Mountains of Northern Italy.

The badge is awarded to soldiers who have passed qualified drivers' tests and served as vehicle drivers without accident for a period of three months or more. The badge resembles that awarded to qualified marksmen, sharpshooters and expert riflemen.

Wreck Here Eighty Years Ago Killed 50

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period had nothing resembling the modern block system of operation, by which each train is notified automatically of any other train on the tracks ahead, the crews relied on hand signals, the running lights

of the trains, and the vision of the engineers.

In this case the conductor of the leading train had arranged with Joseph Tomlinson of Bristol, who was station master at Croydon, to hold back the express until the lights of his own train were out of sight.

The investigations which followed the accident showed that this was done faithfully.

But when the speeding express reached Bristol, the sharp curve in the tracks prevented clear vision ahead, and the derailed troop train was hit at almost full speed.

The rear three wooden coaches of the forward train were telescoped and caught fire, plunging, inside and under the debris, both dead and wounded.

The hand engine of Bristol Fire

Company No. 1 succeeded in controlling the flames, while carpenters, summoned from bed, saved loose the sides of the coaches, which were then dragged apart with ropes.

Many nearby houses were crowded with the wounded. These homes included those of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sutch, and of Elwood Doran, who lived next to his lumberyard on Mill street. Ambulances and surgeons from the hospital at China Hall were rushed to the scene.

A freak accident cost the life of the greaser on the wrecked locomotive. He was working on the walkway alongside the boiler of the speeding engine when the collision occurred, and was impaled on a piece of piping.

Two hours' frantic work by rescuers was necessary to reach him in the wreckage, during part of which he was alive and helped direct the work, but he was dead when released.

In an aftermath of the accident, Tomlinson, the station master, was accused by the conductor of the troop train of having violated his instructions. The conductor in-

sisted that he had told Tomlinson not to permit the express to follow his train.

In the trial it appeared for a moment that the higher rank of the conductor, and his emphatic assertion would result in Tomlinson bearing the blame.

On the final day of the trial, however, two Bristol citizens, Richard Trudgeon and Charles M. Fos were brought to the witness stand in Tomlinson's behalf and testified that immediately after the accident the conductor's story had been acted that of Tomlinson—that instructions were to release the press train as soon as the lead train's lights were out of sight.

This resulted, of course, in complete exoneration of the accused station master.



Bruce Barton, noted author and Metropolitan Policyholder.

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THIS YEAR, in making its Annual Report to 31,000,000 policyholders, Metropolitan decided to try something new.

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One out of every five persons in this country is a Metropolitan policyholder. If, like Mr. Barton, you are one of this group, you'll be more than interested in the things he learned. Even if you're not a policyholder, you cannot help but enjoy reading Mr. Barton's account of what Metropolitan did in 1944 for the benefit of policyholders and public.

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BUSINESS REPORT FOR 1944

In accordance with the Annual Statement as of December 31, 1944, filed with the New York State Insurance Department.

OBLIGATIONS TO POLICYHOLDERS, BENEFICIARIES, AND OTHERS	ASSETS WHICH ASSURE FULFILLMENT OF OBLIGATIONS
Policy Reserves Required by Law This amount, together with future premiums and interest, is required to assure payment of all future policy benefits. \$5,923,550,602.75	National Government Securities United States and Canadian. \$3,066,445,698.96
Policy Proceeds and Dividends Held at Interest These are funds left with the company to be paid in the future. 296,078,543.16	Other Bonds Provincial, State and Municipal \$9,069,228.70 Railroad 588,210,136.87 Public Utilities 769,116,680.34 Industrial and Miscellaneous 464,534,242.96
Reserved for Dividends to Policyholders Set aside for payment in 1945 to those policyholders eligible to receive them. 114,134,637.00	Stocks All but \$2,407,086.53 are Preferred or Guaranteed. 104,596,021.13
Other Policy Obligations Claims in process of settlement, estimated claims not yet reported, premiums paid in advance, etc. 67,579,917.19	First Mortgage Loans on Real Estate Farms 87,325,964.20 Other Property 829,093,684.48
Taxes Due or Accrued Includes estimated amount of taxes payable in 1945 on the business of 1944. 21,656,953.00	Loans on Policies Made to policyholders on the security of their policies. 370,567,520.95
Special Reserve for Investments To provide against possible loss or fluctuation in their value. 104,368,000.00	Real Estate Owned Includes \$49,148,672.32 real estate under contract of sale and \$146,808,180.56 Housing Projects and real estate for Company use. 310,793,056.22
Miscellaneous Liabilities TOTAL OBLIGATIONS \$6,552,032,780.41	Cash 143,063,675.82 Other Assets Premiums due and deferred, interest and rents due and accrued, etc. 163,634,660.80
	TOTAL ASSETS TO MEET OBLIGATIONS \$6,995,450,571.43

Thus, Assets exceed Obligations by \$443,417,791.02. This safety fund is divided into:

Special Surplus Funds	\$15,760,000.00	Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	\$427,657,791.02
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These funds, representing about 7% of the obligations, serve as a cushion against possible unfavorable experience due to war or other conditions and give extra assurance that all policy benefits will be paid in full as they fall due.

NOTE:—Assets carried at \$332,059,336.58 in the above statement are deposited with various public officials under requirements of law or regulatory authority. Canadian business embraced in this statement is reported on basis of par of exchange.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 1944 OPERATIONS

Life Insurance in Force, End of 1944	\$30,696,750,125	Paid for Life Insurance Issued During 1944	\$2,064,042,459
Amount Paid to Policyholders During 1944	\$592,034,726.22		

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